

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH QUIZ**  
**(About Negro/Black/African American contributions)**

1. Why was February chosen as Black History Month?
  - a The Emancipation Proclamation was signed in February.
  - b It is Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday month.
  - c The Underground Railroad was completed in that month.
  - d It is Abraham Lincoln's birthday month.
2. Who was the first recorded African to set foot in North America?
  - a Kunta Kinte
  - b Eldridge Cleaver
  - c Estavanico
  - d Paul Cuffe
3. In what century did the above set foot in North America?
  - a 14<sup>th</sup>
  - b 15<sup>th</sup>
  - c 16<sup>th</sup>
  - d 17<sup>th</sup>
4. In what year was the first African slave brought to what is now the United States?
  - a 1492
  - b 1576
  - c 1619
  - d 1704
5. Who was the Negro who died at the American Revolution's Boston Massacre and is considered by some as the first American casualty of the war?
  - a Frederick Douglass
  - b Sojourner Truth
  - c Chicken George
  - d Crispus Attucks
6. Who was the Negro who founded Chicago, IL?
  - a Peter Salem
  - b Franklin Chicago
  - c Jean DuSable
  - d William Daly
7. Which Negro revolutionized the shoe industry by inventing a mechanical "lasting" machine?
  - a Jan Matzeliger
  - b Harry Boston
  - c Alphonsus Florsheim
  - d Paul Lawrence Dunbar
8. Which Negro performed the first successful human heart operation?
  - a William Debaeke
  - b Daniel H. Williams
  - c Gerald Mayo
  - d Harriet Tubman
9. Who discovered how to "bank" blood?
  - a Charles Drew
  - b John Hopkins
  - c William Frist
  - d John D. Rockefeller
10. Before the Civil War, what percentage of southern White families owned slaves?
  - a 25%
  - b 50%
  - c 80%
  - d 100%
11. In what year were laws banning interracial marriage declared unconstitutional?
  - a 1918
  - b 1933
  - c 1967
  - d 1984
12. How many states were still banning interracial marriages in 1969?
  - a 6
  - b 17
  - c 23
  - d 37
13. What was the year in which there was no reported lynching in the United States?
  - a 1898
  - b 1923
  - c 1952
  - d 1991
14. In 1970, Louisiana's legislature ruled that any person with at least \_\_\_\_\_ "black blood" was African American.
  - a 1/32
  - b 1/16
  - c 1/4
  - d 1/2

15. What major U.S. Organization runs the ACT-SO Program (Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological, and Scientific Olympics)?
- a The NAACP
  - b CORE
  - c The Prince Hall Masons
  - d The African Methodist Episcopal Church
16. In 1984, African Americans held what government post in Newark, Detroit, Atlanta, Philadelphia, and Chicago.
- a Police Chief
  - b Fire Chief
  - c Mayor
  - d Dog Catcher
17. What was the first black college, founded in 1837?
- a Spellman College
  - b Cheney State Training School
  - c Prairie View A&M
  - d Morehouse College
18. What percentage of southern Black children attended desegregated schools in 1960?
- a 6%
  - b 14%
  - c 28%
  - d 41%
19. Who was the first Black Congresswoman?
- a Harriet Tubman
  - b Sheila Jackson
  - c Shirley Chisholm
  - d Barbara Jordan
20. Which President ordered "equality of treatment and opportunity in the armed forces", effectively integrating them?
- a Woodrow Wilson
  - b Harry S Truman
  - c John F. Kennedy
  - d Lyndon B. Johnson